

STATE OF NEVADA STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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AGENDA STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 23, 2005 at 9:00 am Nevada Division of Conservation Districts 123 W. Nye Lane Room 217 Carson City, NV 89706

Notice is hereby given that the Nevada State Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on February 23, 2005 commencing at 9:00 am. The meeting will be held in the Nevada Department of Conservation & Natural Resources building, room 217, in Carson City.

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the chairperson.

The State Conservation Commission will consider and act on the following items on February 23, 2005 at 9:00 am:

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Introductions

II. REVIEW, AMMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES – *ACTION*

A. Approval of the October 26 & 28, 2004 meeting minutes.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Three-minute time limit per person, limited to items not on the agenda.

IV. INTERNAL DIVISION REPORTS

- A. Status of the Division of Conservation Districts
 - 1. Fiscal Report Pamela B. Wilcox
 - 2. General Pamela B. Wilcox
 - 3. Conservation District Meeting Logs Kelly McGowan Sandi Gotta
 - 4. General Correspondence Kelly McGowan Sandi Gotta

V. REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION (please limit to 5 minutes)

- A. Department of Conservation & Natural Resources Allen Biaggi
- B. Department of Agriculture Don Henderson
- C. University of Nevada, Reno Dr. Rangesan Narayanan
- D. Natural Resources Conservation Service Richard Vigil
- E. Farm Service Agency Roger Van Valkenburg
- F. Nevada Association of Conservation Districts President, Chris Freeman

VI. REEVALUATION OF DETERMINATION OF STANDING OF RUBY VALLEY CONSERVATION DISTRICT (NAC 548.100) *ACTION*

- A. Request by Ruby Valley Conservation District for reevaluation by the State Conservation Commission to determine District standing.
- B. Division Staff review of Ruby Valley Conservation District's records
- C. Public Hearing
- D. Conservation Commission Discussion
- E. Commission Determination
- F. Direction to Staff for Assistance to Ruby Valley Conservation District

VII. OLD BUSINESS -

- A. Update on teleconference meeting with the Nevada Commission on Agriculture relating to the wildlife compensatory damage program. *ACTION*
- B. Discussion/approval of State Conservation Commission's Strategic Plan for 2005-2010 developed in October, 2004. *ACTION*

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion on recent issues surrounding elected district supervisors required to file Financial Disclosure Statements. *ACTION*
- **B.** Discussion and possible action on the funds generated by the Nevada Public Lands Management Act and the effects it may have on conservation districts and programs throughout Nevada if a proposal to use some of the funds outside the State of Nevada is adopted. *ACTION*
- C. Update and review of current Bill Draft Requests and other legislative matters that may affect the commission, the division or individual conservation districts. Update from staff on the dates and times that committees will be holding hearings relating to those Bill Draft Requests. *ACTION*
- **D.** Possible changes to "Open Range" law requiring livestock owners to erect fences where public land interfaces with private land to keep livestock from entering. Currently it is the private landowner who is responsible for erecting fences to keep livestock from entering. ***ACTION***

IX. STAFF ITEMS - Division Staff Comments

Unless otherwise listed with a topic description, this portion of the agenda is limited to announcements and discussions of items proposed for action at future meetings.

X. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

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XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

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XII. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING - *ACTION*

- A. Set time and place.
- B. Agenda Items.

XIII. ADJOURN – *ACTION*

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Note: *ACTION* Denotes items on which the Commission may take action. Action may occur on the topic or during the general Committee discussion.

AGENDAS ARE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

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